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TO AMEMBASSY CARACAS IMMEDIATE

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SUBJECT: MINISTER HERNANDEZ STATEMENT RE: OPEC PRICE HIKE

ACCORDING TO WASHINGTON POST ARTICLE OF DECEMBER 10 BY DON  
OBERDORFER, MINES MINISTER HERNANDEZ SAID THE OPEC  
COUNTRIES HAVE REACHED A CONSENSUS FAVORING AN INCREASE IN  
OIL PRICES IN NEXT WEEK'S MEETING, BUT THAT THEY WOULD  
TAKE INTO ACCOUNT A PERSONAL REQUEST BY FORD FOR MODERATION.  
ARTICLE STATES THAT THE APPEAL WAS MADE TO VENEZUELAN  
AMBASSADOR IRIBARREN EARLIER THIS MONTH DURING A WHITE  
HOUSE INTERVIEW.  
ACTION: REQUEST EMBASSY REPORT ON PRECISELY WHAT HERNANDEZ  
SAID. KISSINGER

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